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TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

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[REDACTED] RHODE ISLAND, THREATS
AGAINST UNITED STATES SENATOR JOHN CHAFFE, CAS (A).

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, ON AUGUST 3, 1981, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND RESIDENT AGENCY
OF THE FBI AND ADVISED THAT ON AUGUST 3, 1981, HE AND THREE MEMBERS
OF SENATOR CHAFFE'S STAFF TELEPHONICALLY LISTENED TO THREATS MADE
AGAINST THE LIFE OF THE SENATOR [REDACTED] BY CAPTIONED SUBJECT.
ACCORDING TO [REDACTED], THE SUBJECT IS MENTALLY DISTURBED AND HAS
FREQUENTLY CALLED THE SENATOR'S OFFICE AND ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HAS
APPEARED PERSONALLY. INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THAT SUBJECT WAS
STOPPED BY FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE PERSONNEL IN THE LOBBY OF THE
POST OFFICE BUILDING, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND CARRYING A BASEBALL

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RAT ON JULY 30, 1981. SHE MADE THREATS AGAINST THE SENATOR AND WAS ESCORTED OUT OF THE BUILDING. ON AUGUST 4, 1981, PAUL MURRAY, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND, WAS APPRISED OF THE FACTS OF THIS MATTER. USA MURRAY ADVISED THAT THE SUBJECT MAY HAVE VIOLATED TITLE 18, SECTION 351E, UNITED STATES CODE. MURRAY REQUESTED AN INVESTIGATIVE REPORT PRIOR TO RENDERING A PROSECUTIVE DECISION. UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THE FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE THREATS.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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FD-340 REV. (6-14-77)

Field File No. 89A-318-1A(1)

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Date Received 8/4/81

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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By _____
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes

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Receipt Given ☐ Yes

☒ No

Description:

Interview notes

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8/4/81

hgt. [redacted] FPG,

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she was pointing out to [redacted] in
lobby of Post Office

14:50 hours films - 7/30/81

saw her coming across st.

she was reprimanded for disorderly
conduct and told to leave.

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Officer ~~for~~ [redacted] came
up from behind and took her.

she was screaming at [redacted]
and pointing out at this face.

Mentioned to [redacted] that he
doesn't own her and that she
would sue for \$1 million.

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Have seen her several times in
the past 2 or 3 weeks.

she is in lobby about every other
day. she walks round lobby
as if she is going to PO box and

then starts upstairs. We usually catch her on 2nd floor.

On ~~the~~ 7/28 she mentioned that she knew where the Senator lived and would go to his house and wait for him.

About 2 weeks ago she made comment to me that she could do something and get away with it because [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Field File No. 89A-318-1A(2)

OO and File No. _____

Date Received 8/5/81

From
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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By
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes Receipt Given ☐ Yes
☒ No ☒ No

☐ Yes Grand Jury Material-
☐ No Disseminate Only
Pursuant to Rules
6(e), Federal Rules
of Criminal Procedure

Description: *

Interview notes

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[Redacted]

Proo, R, I.

DOB
POB

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

ago

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Cameras in her house

Had nervous break down 4 yrs
ago was held at medical center
for 3 months.

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OO and File No. _____

Date Received 8/3/81

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(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By _____

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes

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Receipt Given ☐ Yes

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☐ Yes

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Grand Jury Material-
Disseminate Only
Pursuant to Rules
6(e), Federal Rules
of Criminal Procedure

Description: *

Interview notes

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89-378-111 (3)

01/3/81

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

R.I.

Nut

Senator Chafee

\$ coming to Chafee office wants
1 Million

[REDACTED]

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In lobby w/ baseball bat
FPS took away. Chafee afternoon
called 3:20 P.M. 1/3/81

beat up Chafee [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] threatened to set
fire at Channel 12.

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[REDACTED] said was mentally
ill but would not go for
treatment.

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[REDACTED]

less. on phone when
threat made

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OO and File No. _____

Date Received 8/4/81

From

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By _____

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes Receipt Given ☐ Yes
☒ No ☒ No

☐ Yes Grand Jury Material-
☐ No Disseminate Only
Pursuant to Rules
6(e), Federal Rules
of Criminal Procedure

Description:

Interview Notes

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8/4/81

[redacted]

Office Manager,

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[redacted]

, Staff Asst.,

[redacted]

called few times. anonymously
about us using cameras in their
home.

On 4/10/81 I called and spoke to
[redacted] [redacted] got her to give her
name. During conversation
she said [redacted]

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[redacted]

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5/5/81 [redacted], Asst. Director, Dept
of Children & their families sent in
Thankyou letter saying she had
a great hearing, coming up

7/10/81 appeared at office [redacted]
said we were invading her
privacy and she was going
to have to kill someone.
I called [redacted] again.

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Later when she came in she said
that Chokeo ~~was~~ [redacted]
[redacted]

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Last Sunday afternoon [redacted] was in PD Goldby when she came in and baseball bat. She told [redacted] that he would have to stop leathering her. One of the guards grabbed the bat.

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~~She~~ ✓ one time she called me and said she was going to shoot me.

at 5:55 P.M. [redacted] received a call from [redacted] who would not give name. [redacted] said that I had told her she was a Chafee officer w a baseball bat.

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[redacted] said

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Has had [redacted]
[redacted]

yesterday when she called 4 of us were listening. Accused of Chafee of raping her. said at 4:30 she would come here and beat Chafee and if she couldn't get him she would [redacted]

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mentioned that she would start
a gun fire at Ch 12. mentioned
that Ch 12 had the cameras
that Chafco used to take pictures
up ~~for~~ her dress. She
wanted to be paid for the pictures.
He also mentioned that she wanted
the \$1 Million taken from her.

FPO

[Redacted]

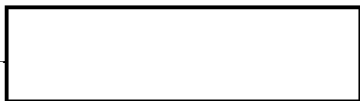
Officer

[Redacted]


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[Redacted]

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been in 2 or 3 times. Once
with  the time
she lost the baseball of
she never made it up again.



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Field File No. 89A-318-1A(5)

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Date Received 8/4/81

From

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

By

(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes Receipt Given ☐ Yes
☒ No ☒ No

Description:

1) copy of letter to
 from
 dated 7/10/81

2) copy of letter to
 from
 dated 5/1/81

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Department for Children and Their Families
DIVISION OF ASSESSMENT & EMERGENCY RESPONSE
610 Mt. Pleasant Avenue
Providence, R.I. 02908

May 1, 1981

[redacted]
Office of Senator John Chaffee
301 Pastore Federal Building
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your concern in the matter regarding [redacted]
who resides at [redacted] The case was assigned
to [redacted] a social worker in the Emergency Response Unit,
prior to [redacted] contacting your office.

The Department for Children and Their Families has filed a straight
dependency petition on [redacted]
[redacted] and a hearing will be forthcoming in
Family Court in the near future.

[redacted] with mother and we continue to
monitor the situation pending the court hearing.

Yours very truly,

[redacted]

JM:lb

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Apr 24/81

July 10, 1981

[redacted] Assistant Director
Department for Children and Their Families
Division of Assessment and Emergency Response
610 Mount Pleasant Avenue
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

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Dear [redacted]

This is to confirm our telephone conversation
of this afternoon regarding [redacted]

[redacted] visited Senator
Chafee's Office, where I am employed, at approximately
3:30 p.m. today. [redacted] spoke with [redacted]
of the staff and I heard most of their conversation.

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[redacted] accused "you people," meaning
the members of this office, of invading her privacy
with cameras in her home and under her dress, of
calling her all night, and of selling tickets.

She said that she couldn't take it anymore;
that her mind was going to burst, and she would have
to kill someone. She also said that she may "burn
the building down." This statement was seemingly
related to where she alleged the film and tickets
were kept.

During the time [redacted] was in the
office, [redacted]

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As you know, I reported [redacted] to [redacted]
[redacted] of your Department on April 10, 1981 because
of a similar phone conversation I had with [redacted]
on that date. In light of [redacted] statements
and behavior this afternoon, I felt this matter should
once again be brought to the attention of the Department
for whatever action may be appropriate.

Sincerely,

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Accd. to [redacted] DCF was [redacted]
[redacted] w/ release [redacted]
[redacted] on response [redacted]
[redacted] gave the Dept. permission to take
phone call. Judge [redacted] immediately.

7/13 [redacted] called.

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Went to court ~~yesterday~~ [redacted] ~~called~~
to State of Rhode Island. They had [redacted]
[redacted] on Friday afternoon.

[redacted] all agree that [redacted]

& that the

never been [redacted]
[redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/18/81

[redacted] Rhode Island Bureau of Criminal
Identification, Providence, Rhode Island, caused a
search to be made of the records of his agency and
located no record identifiable with [redacted]
[redacted] Rhode Island.

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Investigation on 8/12/81 at Providence, Rhode Island File # BS 89A-318 -22

by SA [redacted] /amv

Date dictated 8/14/81b6
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/10/81

[redacted] Sergeant, Federal Protective Service (FPS), United States Post Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island, was contacted at his place of employment and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that he is familiar with an individual named [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] arrives at the Post Office Building approximately every other day. He stated that [redacted] walks around the lobby as if she were going to a Post Office box and then starts upstairs toward the office of Senator John Chaffee which is located on the third floor. [redacted] stated that usually FPS personnel intercept [redacted] by the time she reaches the second floor. On occasion, [redacted] was not noticed and she managed to make it to Senator Chaffee's office. [redacted] advised that FPS has been notified by members of Senator Chaffee's staff that [redacted] has made threats against staff members and the Senator. [redacted] stated that on several occasions FPS personnel have order [redacted] from the building.

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[redacted] advised that on July 30, 1981, he observed [redacted] in the lobby of the Post Office with a baseball bat which she held in a threatening manner at [redacted] is a member of Senator Chaffee's staff. [redacted] was overheard saying that [redacted] does not own her and that she would sue for one million dollars. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was screaming at [redacted] while she held the baseball bat pointing at [redacted] face.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] FPS, approached [redacted] from behind and took the bat. [redacted] was removed from the building for disorderly conduct. [redacted] stated that the Providence, Rhode Island Police Department were not notified since the incident took place in a Federal Building. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was not arrested by FPS personnel.

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Investigation on 8/4/81 at Providence, Rhode Island File # BS 89A-318-3

by SA [redacted] /amv

Date dictated 8/6/81b6
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[] stated that on July 28, 1981, he observed [] in the lobby of the Post Office and approached her. [] made a comment that she knew where the Senator lived and would go to his house and wait for him. [] advised that approximately two weeks ago, [] commented that she could do something and get away with it because []

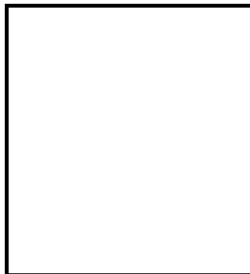
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[] advised that it is obvious that [] is mentally ill. He stated that she often mentioned that Senator Chaffee was responsible for having cameras installed in her residence and for taking pictures up her dress.

In addition [] provided the following physical description of []

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Name:
Race:
Sex:
Height:
Weight:
Complexion:
Age:
Hair:



The baseball bat used by [] was obtained from []

FBI

TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 8/19/81

TO: SAC, BOSTON

FROM: SAC, WFO (89-712) (P)

[REDACTED]

RHODE

ISLAND
 THREATS AGAINST UNITED
 STATES SENATOR JOHN CHAFFEE
 CAS (A)
 (OO:BS)

Re Boston teletype to Director, dated 8/4/81,
 and Director's teletype to WFO dated 8/5/81.

On 8/7/81, SA [REDACTED] U. S. Secret Service,
 Washington, D. C., and [REDACTED] U. S. Capitol Hill
 Police, were advised of the threats made against Senator
 CHAFFEE by the subject.

LEADBOSTON

AT PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND. Advise WFO of
 the prosecutive opinion in this case.

②-Boston
 1-WFO

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FBI - BOSTON	

[REDACTED] *[Signature]*

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(Number)

(Time)

Per _____

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/10/81

[redacted] and [redacted]
 Office of United States Senator John Chaffee, Post
 Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island were
 contacted at their place of employment and provided
 the following information:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]
 [redacted] Rhode Island has threatened Senator
 John Chaffee on a number of occasions. [redacted] stated
 that [redacted] telephoned the Senators office a few times,
 anonymously and mentioned that cameras had been
 installed in her home. [redacted] stated that on April 10,
 1981, [redacted] called and spoke with [redacted] who persuaded
 [redacted] to give her name. During this conversation, [redacted]
 mentioned that [redacted]
 also conversed with [redacted] on April 10, 1981. As a result
 of this telephone conversation, [redacted] contacted [redacted]
 of the Department of Children and Their Families, state
 of Rhode Island. [redacted] received a letter in response to
 her conversation with [redacted] from [redacted] Assistant
 Director, Department of Children and Their Families. The
 letter indicated that the case had been assigned to [redacted]
 [redacted] prior to [redacted] contacting the Senators office on
 April 10, 1981. The Department [redacted]
 [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that on July 10, 1981, [redacted] appeared
 in person at the Senator's office [redacted]
 [redacted] accused the Senator of invading her privacy by putting
 cameras in her home and taking pictures up her dress. She
 also demanded \$1 million dollars which was supposedly taken
 from her.

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Investigation on 8/4/81 at Providence, Rhode Island File # 89A-~~251~~ 318 - 5

by SA [redacted] /amv Date dictated 8/6/81

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[] stated that [] mentioned that she was going to kill someone and burn down the building. [] advised that as a result of the July 10, 1981 conversation with [] she contacted [] and informed him of the incident. As a result of this incident, Judge Gendron gave the Department of Children and Their Families

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[] the state of Rhode Island. [] stated that on one occasion during on telephone conversation with [] threatened to shoot her.

On July 30, 1981, [] Staff Member to Senator Chaffee was in the lobby of the Post Office, which is located in the same building as the Senator's office, when [] approached him carrying a baseball bat. She told [] that he would have to stop bothering her. A security guard from the Federal Protective Service grabbed the bat and ordered [] to leave the building. [] mentioned that she was going to beat the Senator with the bat.

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[] advised that on August 3, 1981 [] telephonically contacted the Senator's office. [] and [] listened on seperate telephones to the threats being made by [] mentioned that she would start a fire a television Station Channel 12 because Senator Chaffee () used Channel 12 cameras to take pictures up her dress. She also mentioned that she wanted to be paid for the pictures and wanted the \$1 million that was taken from her. [] also threatened to beat the Senator [] and stated that she knew where his home is located. [] accused the Senator of raping her.

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[] advised that on July 30, 1981 at approximately 5:55 p.m. she received a telephone call from an individual who would not reveal her name but stated that she is []. Apparently [] had mentioned to [] that she had gone to the Senator's office with a baseball bat and [] was calling to see if this was correct. [] mentioned that she has tried to convince [] to get psychiatric help. [] informed [] that [] has had []

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[] is described as follows:

Name:
Race:
Sex:
Hair:
Age:
Height:
Weight:



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In addition [] provided copies of the following documents:

- 1) Letter to [] from []
[] dated July 10, 1981.
- 2) Letter to [] from []
dated May 1, 1981.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/7/81

[redacted] telephonically contacted the Providence, Rhode Island Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] Rhode Island, has made several threats of injury to United States Senator John Chaffee [redacted] [redacted] advised that at approximately 4:00 p.m. on August 3, 1981 he was in Senator Chaffee's office when [redacted] telephonically contacted a member of the Senators staff and made threats to beat the Senator [redacted] [redacted] stated that in the past, [redacted] has contacted the Senators office numerous times in person and telephonically and threatened the Senator. [redacted] stated that he, [redacted] listened [redacted] make the telephonic threats on August 3, 1981. [redacted] stated that during this conversation, [redacted] also threatened to set fire to channel 12 television.

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[redacted] advised that it is obvious that [redacted] is mentally disturbed. He stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that on July 30, 1981 at approximately 3:20 p.m. he was standing in the lobby of the Post Office Building when [redacted] approached him carrying a baseball bat. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was threatening to beat the Senator with the bat. A security guard from the Federal Protective Service approached [redacted] from behind and took the bat away. The security guard then ordered [redacted] to leave the building.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] blames the Senator for the [redacted] also claims that the Senator has had cameras installed in her apartment and that she wants \$1 million for the photos taken of her.

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by SA [redacted] /amv Date dictated 8/5/81

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[] stated that something should be done with
[] because she is a threat to the Senator's safety.
[] stated that members of Senator Chaffee's staff could
provide additional information concerning []

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/8/81

[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service, Providence, Rhode Island, was contacted at his place of employment and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that on August 12, 1981, [redacted] voluntarily admitted herself to Butler Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was diagnosed as [redacted]. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was treated at Butler Hospital for ten days and was released. [redacted] attends counseling sessions twice a week at the Providence Mental Health Center and has been given medication for her condition. [redacted] stated that as long as [redacted] stays on her medication, she probably will not make any more threats against United States Senator JOHN H. CHAFEE.

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by SA [redacted] kac Date dictated 9/8/81

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/11/81

[redacted] Rhode Island, was interviewed at the office of the Federal Protective Service (FPS), located in the Post Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island. [redacted] was informed of the purpose of the interview and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that she has made threats against Senator John Chaffee and members of his staff, however, she stated that she would not carry out the threats, [redacted] accused the Senator of installing cameras in her house which took pictures of her in the nude and up her dress. She stated that the Senator borrowed the cameras from channel 12 television (WPRI). [redacted] stated that she did bring a baseball bat into the Post Office on July 30, 1981 and that she did make threats to [redacted] about beating up the Senator [redacted] however she stated that she would not have used the bat. [redacted] accused Senator Chaffee of being responsible for [redacted]

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[redacted] was advised that it is a violation of Federal law to make threats or assault any Senator or Congressman and that she could be prosecuted for these activities. [redacted] stated that the Senator owes her one million dollars for the pictures he took of her. [redacted] stated that she has been [redacted] and that she had a nervous breakdown approximately four years ago. She stated that she was confined approximately three months at the Institute of Mental Health. [redacted] stated that she is not undergoing psychiatric treatment at this time.

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In addition the following descriptive data was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:
Race:
Sex:
Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:

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by

SAs

[redacted]

TJM/amv

Date dictated 8/7/81b6
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Address:

Rhode Island

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BOSTON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BOSTON	DATE 9/8/81	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/3/81 9/8/81
TITLE OF CASE "CHANGED" <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> RHODE ISLAND; THREATS AGAINST UNITED STATES SENATOR JOHN IL. CHAFEE		REPORT MADE BY SA <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>	TYPED BY kac b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE CONGRESSIONAL ASSASSINATION STATUTE	

Title "Changed" to reflect correct spelling of subject's street address. Title formerly carried street address of Rhode Island."

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REFERENCE: Boston teletype to Bureau dated 8/4/81.
WFO teletype to Boston dated 8/19/81.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
							PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - United States Attorney, Providence, Rhode Island

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Boston, Massachusetts

Date:

September 8, 1981

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Field Office File #:

89A-318

Bureau File #:

Title:

[REDACTED] RHODE ISLAND;
THREATS AGAINST UNITED STATES SENATOR JOHN H. CHAFEE

Character:

CONGRESSIONAL ASSASSINATION STATUTE

Synopsis:

Members of Senator CHAFEE's staff interviewed and advised of numerous threats by subject against the Senator. Subject interviewed and admitted to making threats against Senator CHAFEE.

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DETAILS:

This investigation was predicated upon the receipt of a complaint from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on August 3, 1981. United States Attorney PAUL F. MURRAY, District of Rhode Island, was apprised of the facts of this matter on August 3, 1981, and requested an investigative report. The text of the interviews are as follows:

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Date of transcription 8/7/81

[redacted]
[redacted] telephonically contacted the Providence, Rhode Island Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] Rhode Island, has made several threats of injury to United States Senator John Chaffee [redacted] [redacted] advised that at approximately 4:00 p.m. on August 3, 1981 he was in Senator Chaffee's office when [redacted] telephonically contacted a member of the Senators staff and made threats to beat the Senator [redacted] [redacted] stated that in the past, [redacted] has contacted the Senators office numerous times in person and telephonically and threatened the Senator. [redacted] stated that he, [redacted] listened [redacted] make the telephonic threats on August 3, 1981. [redacted] stated that during this conversation, [redacted] also threatened to set fire to channel 12 television.

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[redacted] advised that it is obvious that [redacted] is mentally disturbed. He stated that [redacted]
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[redacted] stated that on July 30, 1981 at approximately 3:20 p.m. he was standing in the lobby of the Post Office Building when [redacted] approached him carrying a baseball bat. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was threatening to beat the Senator with the bat. A security guard from the Federal Protective Service approached [redacted] from behind and took the bat away. The security guard then ordered [redacted] to leave the building.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted] blames the Senator for the [redacted] [redacted] also claims that the Senator has had cameras installed in her apartment and that she wants \$1 million for the photos taken of her.

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by SA [redacted] /amv Date dictated 8/5/81

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[] stated that something should be done with
[] because she is a threat to the Senator's safety.
[] stated that members of Senator Chaffee's staff could
provide additional information concerning []

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Date of transcription 8/10/81

[redacted] and [redacted]
Office of United States Senator John Chaffee, Post
Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island were
contacted at their place of employment and provided
the following information:

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[redacted] advised that [redacted]
[redacted] Rhode Island has threatened Senator
John Chaffee on a number of occasions. [redacted] stated
that [redacted] telephoned the Senators office a few times.
anonymously and mentioned that cameras had been
installed in her home. [redacted] stated that on April 10,
1981, [redacted] called and spoke with [redacted] who persuaded
[redacted] to give her name. During this conversation, [redacted]
mentioned that [redacted]
also conversed with [redacted] on April 10, 1981. As a result
of this telephone conversation, [redacted] contacted [redacted]
of the Department of Children and Their Families, state
of Rhode Island. [redacted] received a letter in response to
her conversation with [redacted] from [redacted] Assistant
Director, Department of Children and Their Families. The
letter indicated that the case had been assigned to [redacted]
[redacted] prior to [redacted] contacting the Senators office on
April 10, 1981. The Department [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised that on July 10, 1981, [redacted] appeared
in person at the Senator's office [redacted]
[redacted] accused the Senator of invading her privacy by putting
cameras in her home and taking pictures up her dress. She
also demanded \$1 million dollars which was supposedly taken
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[] stated that [] mentioned that she was going to kill someone and burn down the building. [] advised that as a result of the July 10, 1981 conversation with [] she contacted [] and informed him of the incident. As a result of this incident, Judge Gendron gave the Department of Children and Their Families [] the state of Rhode Island. [] stated that on one occasion during on telephone conversation with [] threatened to shoot her.

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On July 30, 1981, [] Staff Member to Senator Chaffee was in the lobby of the Post Office, which is located in the same building as the Senator's office, when [] approached him carrying a baseball bat. She told [] that he would have to stop bothering her. A security guard from the Federal Protective Service grabbed the bat and ordered [] to leave the building. [] mentioned that she was going to beat the Senator with the bat.

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[] advised that on August 3, 1981 [] telephonically contacted the Senator's office. [] and [] listened on separate telephones to the threats being made by [] mentioned that she would start a fire a television Station Channel 12 because Senator Chaffee used Channel 12 cameras to take pictures up her dress. She also mentioned that she wanted to be paid for the pictures and wanted the \$1 million that was taken from her. [] also threatened to beat the Senator [] and stated that she knew where his home is located. [] accused the Senator of raping her.

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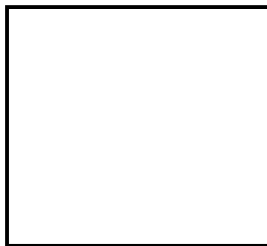
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[] advised that on July 30, 1981 at approximately 5:55 p.m. she received a telephone call from an individual who would not reveal her name but stated that she is []. Apparently [] had mentioned to [] that she had gone to the Senator's office with a baseball bat and [] was calling to see if this was correct. [] mentioned that she has tried to convince [] to get psychiatric help. [] informed [] that [] has had []

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[] is described as follows:

Name:
Race:
Sex:
Hair:
Age:
Height:
Weight:



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In addition [] provided copies of the following documents:

1) Letter to [] from []
[] dated July 10, 1981.

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2) Letter to [] from []
dated May 1, 1981.

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Date of transcription 8/10/81

[redacted] Sergeant, Federal Protective Service (FPS), United States Post Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island, was contacted at his place of employment and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that he is familiar with an individual named [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] arrives at the Post Office Building approximately every other day. He stated that [redacted] walks around the lobby as if she were going to a Post Office box and then starts upstairs toward the office of Senator John Chaffee which is located on the third floor. [redacted] stated that usually FPS personnel intercept [redacted] by the time she reaches the second floor. On occasion, [redacted] was not noticed and she managed to make it to Senator Chaffee's office. [redacted] advised that FPS has been notified by members of Senator Chaffee's staff that [redacted] has made threats against staff members and the Senator. [redacted] stated that on several occasions FPS personnel have order [redacted] from the building.

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[redacted] advised that on July 30, 1981, he observed [redacted] in the lobby of the Post Office with a baseball bat which she held in a threatening manner at [redacted]. [redacted] is a member of Senator Chaffee's staff. [redacted] was overheard saying that [redacted] does not own her and that she would sue for one million dollars. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was screaming at [redacted] while she held the baseball bat pointing at [redacted] face.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] FPS, approached [redacted] from behind and took the bat. [redacted] was removed from the building for disorderly conduct. [redacted] stated that the Providence, Rhode Island Police Department were not notified since the incident took place in a Federal Building. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was not arrested by FPS personnel.

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[] stated that on July 28, 1981, he observed [] in the lobby of the Post Office and approached her. [] made a comment that she knew where the Senator lived and would go to his house and wait for him. [] advised that approximately two weeks ago, [] commented that she could do something and get away with it because []

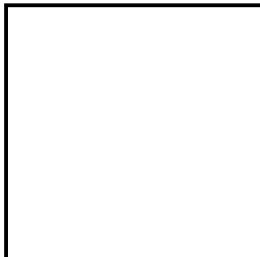
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[] advised that it is obvious that [] is mentally ill. He stated that she often mentioned that Senator Chaffee was responsible for having cameras installed in her residence and for taking pictures up her dress.

In addition [] provided the following physical description of []

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Sex:
Height:
Weight:
Complexion:
Age:
Hair:



The baseball bat used by [] was obtained from []

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/11/81

[redacted] Rhode Island, was interviewed at the office of the Federal Protective Service (FPS), located in the Post Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island. [redacted] was informed of the purpose of the interview and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that she has made threats against Senator John Chaffee and members of his staff, however, she stated that she would not carry out the threats. [redacted] accused the Senator of installing cameras in her house which took pictures of her in the nude and up her dress. She stated that the Senator borrowed the cameras from channel 12 television (WPRI). [redacted] stated that she did bring a baseball bat into the Post Office on July 30, 1981 and that she did make threats to [redacted] about beating up the Senator [redacted] however she stated that she would not have used the bat. [redacted] accused Senator Chaffee of being responsible for [redacted]

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[redacted] was advised that it is a violation of Federal law to make threats or assault any Senator or Congressman and that she could be prosecuted for these activities. [redacted] stated that the Senator owes her one million dollars for the pictures he took of her. [redacted] stated that she has been [redacted] and that she had a nervous breakdown approximately four years ago. She stated that she was confined approximately three months at the Institute of Mental Health. [redacted] stated that she is not undergoing psychiatric treatment at this time.

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In addition the following descriptive data was obtained through observation and interview:

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Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:

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Address:

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[Redacted]

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Date of transcription 8/18/81

[redacted] Rhode Island Bureau of Criminal
Identification, Providence, Rhode Island, caused a
search to be made of the records of his agency and
located no record identifiable with [redacted]
[redacted] Rhode Island.

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9/8/81

Date of transcription

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[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service, Providence, Rhode Island, was contacted at his place of employment and provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that on August 12, 1981, [redacted] voluntarily admitted herself to Butler Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was diagnosed as [redacted]. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was treated at Butler Hospital for ten days and was released. [redacted] attends counseling sessions twice a week at the Providence Mental Health Center and has been given medication for her condition. [redacted] stated that as long as [redacted] stays on her medication, she probably will not make any more threats against United States Senator JOHN H. CHAFFEE.

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11/23/81

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (89A-712) (RUC)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RHODE ISLAND
UNITED STATES SENATOR JOHN SHAFEE
CAS (A)
(OO:BS)

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Re: Director's teletype to WFO, dated 8/5/81
and BS report to WFO, dated 9/8/81.

The following law enforcement agencies were advised
of the details furnished in the report from the Boston
Division involving [REDACTED]

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1) On 10/30/81, [REDACTED] Special Agent,
United States Secret Service, Washington, D. C.

2) On 11/9/81, [REDACTED] Special
Investigations Unit, U. S. Capitol, Washington, D. C.

No other investigation is pending in this matter
by WFO and this case is being RUC'd.

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☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

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☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ E F T O
☐ CLEAR

Date 12/4/81

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BOSTON (89A-318)(Providence RA)(C)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RHODE ISLAND;
THREATS AGAINST UNITED STATES
SENATOR JOHN H. CHAFEE
CAS (A)
OO: BOSTON

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Re WFO airtel to the Director dated 11/23/81 and Boston report dated 9/8/81.

For the information of the Bureau and Washington Field Office, on 11/27/81, United States Attorney Paul Murray, District of Rhode Island, Providence, Rhode Island, declined federal prosecution since the subject is receiving treatment at a mental health center and no longer appears to be a threat. In view of the United States Attorney's opinion, no further investigation will be conducted in the Boston Division.

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John O. Pastore Federal Building
Post Office Box 1502
Providence, Rhode Island 02901

December 4, 1981

Honorable Lincoln C. Almond
United States Attorney
Federal Building
Providence, Rhode Island

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Dear Sir:

RE:

[REDACTED]

RHODE ISLAND
THREATS AGAINST UNITED STATES
SENATOR JOHN CHAFEE
CONGRESSIONAL ASSASSINATION STATUTE

This letter confirms United States Attorney Paul Murray's decision on November 27, 1981 to decline federal prosecution in captioned matter since [REDACTED] is receiving treatment at a mental health center and no longer appears to be a threat. In view of Mr. Murray's opinion, no further investigation will be conducted by the Boston Division.

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Very truly yours,

LAWRENCE SARHATT
Special Agent in Charge

BY:

[REDACTED]

Supervisory Senior Resident Agent

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